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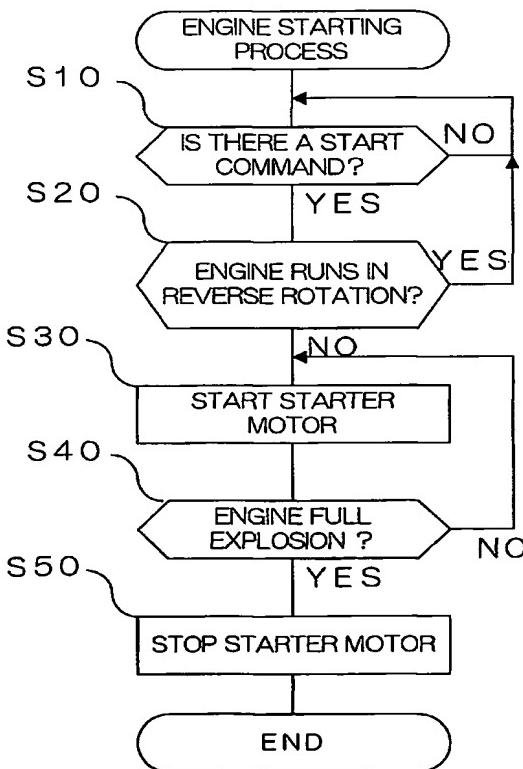
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(57) Abstract: An engine starting apparatus 10 has a reverse-rotation detection sensor 14 for detecting the reverse rotation of an engine. A control apparatus 11 for controlling the engine starting apparatus 10 performs such control that a starter motor 12 is not rotated while the reverse rotation of the engine is detected by the reverse-rotation detection sensor 14, even if receiving a predetermined engine start command.

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